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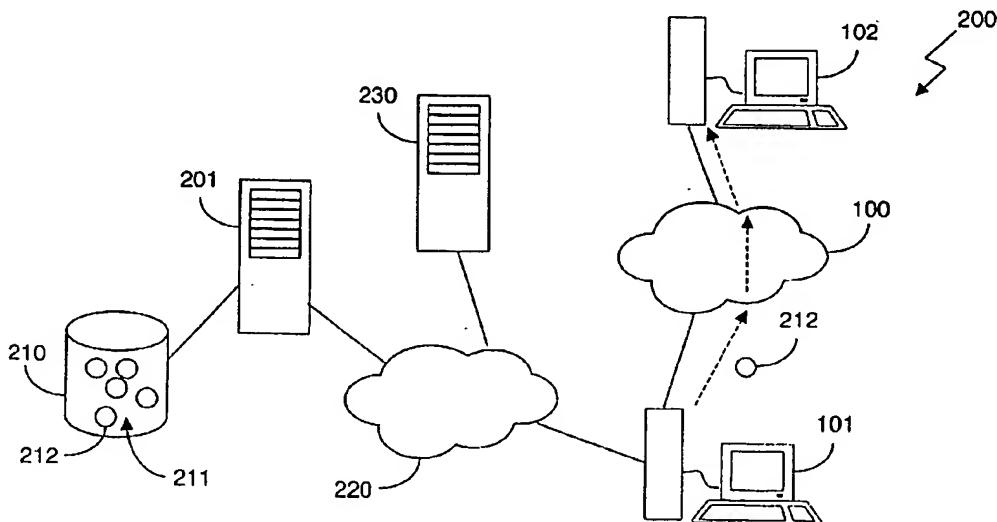
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(57) Abstract: Methods of and system for distributing a multimedia object (212). A server (201) receives a request to buy the multimedia object (212) from a client device (101). After authorizing the request, an identifier for the object (212) is forwarded to a file sharing network (100). A node (102) that is able to distribute the object (212) to the client (101) signals a positive response to the server (201) and subsequently transmits the object (212) to the client (101). The operator of the node (102) is then rewarded for distributing the object (212) in this fashion. This way the server (201) does not have to distribute the object (212) itself, but still earns money from the operator of the client (101). By encrypting or otherwise protecting the object (212) it is prevented that clients share the objects directly without contacting the server (201).

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